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## Miss Margaret Speer Held By Japanese Teacher In China

A dispatch from Chunking, China, under date of December 4 states that several missionaries who are American citizens have been arrested and held by the Japanese, with the reason for the action not known. It is said that the "Japs" are removing all missionaries from the Yangtze valley to Peiping. American male members of the faculty of Yenching University are being interned at the United States Embassy except its president Dr. Leighton Stuart, who is isolated in the Japanese seized Union Medical college, endowed by the Rockefeller Foundation. Women members of the faculty of Yenching University are now interned in one of the Embassy homes and the list includes Miss Margaret Speer of New York, daughter of Dr. Robert E. Speer, former secretary of the Presbyterian Board for Foreign Missions. Miss Speer has been a frequent visitor in Northfield in years past at the home of her brother, the late Elliot Speer, who was president of the Northfield schools, and had attended several of the summer missionary conferences on the Seminary campus, where she had been a speaker previous to taking up her work in China. Many of our citizens and members of the faculties at the Seminary and Mount Hermon school have a personal acquaintance with Miss Speer.

## John W. Haigis Takes A Bride

John W. Haigis, president of the Franklin County Trust Company of Greenfield, former state treasurer and former Republican candidate for governor, was married Thursday morning of last week to Miss Alice G. Whelan, a nurse, in a simple ceremony at his home. Rev. Kenneth R. Henley of the Second Congregational church officiated.

The small family group present were Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin P. Collins of Dover, N. H., and Dr. and Mrs. Crawford K. Sweeley of Somerville. Mrs. Collins was his daughter and Dr. Sweeley his nephew.

The couple left for Pensacola, Fla., to visit another daughter of the bridegroom, Mrs. Walter W. Wilcox, whose husband is an engineer.

Mr. and Mrs. Haigis will return to Greenfield to their home at 43 Crescent street about January 1st. Miss Whelan was a former resident of North Adams. Mr. Haigis is well known to many in Northfield and frequently visits here.

## Congregational Church

Services on Sunday and events of the week are as follows:

On Sunday at 10 a. m. Sunday School at 11 o'clock.

Morning Worship, Observance of Universal Bible Sunday. Dr. George Dahl, Professor of Old Testament in the Yale Divinity of Brotherhood in the Book of School, will preach on "The Spirit Jonah"; 3, Sunday School at Schoolhouse No. 4, Northfield.

Services in charge of Mr. Niels C. Nielsen. Mrs. George Dahl will show her Kodachrome slides of a trip to Palestine; 6:15, Christian Endeavor meeting. A Christmas drama based on Van Dyke's "The Arlene Finch, Mary Cooley, Little Wise Man" will be read by Cretia Marshall, Edwin Finch, Kenneth Walker, Bill Compton, David Powell, and Billy Greenwood. The group will then attend the Carol Service at Sage Chapel.

Monday: 7, Boy Scout Troop will meet.

Tuesday: 9 a. m., Mr. Dahl leads morning devotions over WHAI;

6:30, All men of the community are invited to the supper meeting of the Northfield Brotherhood. Dr. Ewart Turner, guest speaker.

Wednesday: 3, The W. C. T. U. meets at Mrs. Lazelle.

Thursday: 10, The Sewing Society will meet, luncheon at noon.

7:30, Midweek Service of Fellowship and Prayer, held in the Vestry. Mr. Dahl will speak on "Simeon, Who Would Not Die." 8:30, Choir rehearsal.

Other Christmas events are:

Tuesday, Dec. 22, at 6, Sunday School party, with supper, Santa Claus, and Christmas Tree. There will be a half hour of sound movies as part of the entertainment.

Monday, Dec. 21, at 3:30, Cradle Roll Christmas Party for young children.

Candlelight Vespers, Sunday, Dec. 20, 5 p. m., in the church. Special Christmas concert by the choir.

## Hallam Pictures Great Say Local Gardeners High Quartette Sings

The Garden Club meeting at Alexander Hall last Monday evening offers no apology for an interesting session. When the gavel fell promptly at 7:45 at the hands of the president, Mrs. George W. Carr, the business schedule was taken up and action taken. The club voted to hold its annual supper, Monday evening, February 8, at the Unitarian vestry, with the good things prepared by the women of that church. The Garden club library shelved at Dickinson library, was reviewed by its chairman, Mr. Fairbanks, who commended three books in a review. The Sequoia, California, redwood tree, now a year old, was shown and its story told by Mr. Hoehn. The Program committee, through Mr. Goodspeed, announced the evening's entertainment. The High school quartette consisting of Arline Dunnett, Karlene Tyler, Portia Chamberlain and Fay Warnock with Betty Phelps as pianist were offered in the musical numbers, but since Fay and Betty were ill, Mrs. Goodspeed assumed their task, and they sang several selections and sang well. Their rendering of "In An Old New England Town" written by Massachusetts men, for the first time in Northfield with consent of the publishers, brought prolonged applause, and proved to be an acceptable melody. Through the courtesy of our good citizen and friend, Walter E. Hallam, a showing of his colored movie films were made by George W. Carr, in charge of the projection. The pictures were of garden spots in Florida, of scenes in New Hampshire about Bradford, of many flowers, and also of floral displays in Northfield, especially those wonderful showings of Mr. Porter at the Chateau. No better pictures were ever shown here. They were works of art and full of interest and a vote of thanks was given to Mr. Hallam for their use and to Mr. Carr for such a good display. The membership committee of which Dr. A. H. Wright is chairman are to take reservations for the annual supper. And so ended another most interesting meeting.

## Boy Scouts Enlarge

Boy Scout Troop No. 9 of Northfield held one of its most interesting meetings of the year last Monday evening. Twenty-two scouts were present at a meeting in which the active scouts were reorganized into three patrols. These patrols are to form a nucleus of leadership for the troop, and members are undergoing an intensive course of training.

Officers elected were Goddard Winterbottom, Scribe, Norman Bolton, William Greenwood, and Victor Sherwood, Patrol Leaders, and David Powell, Eugene Hutchinson, and David Quinn, Assistant Patrol Leaders.

David Powell reported on the which is to be held at the Grammar School next Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. Plans were also made for a demonstration of scouting activities to be presented before the Northfield Grange on February 23rd.



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who conducted the recent solicitation for funds in Northfield.

## Hostel Movies

There was a goodly attendance at the local Youth Hostel last Saturday at the movies and this week Saturday at 2:30 and at 7:30 will be shown "Romance of the Limberlost" based on Gene Porter Stratton's book and also "Cave Man" an entertaining cartoon. There is a small admission fee for both children and adults.

## Historical Society Elect A. P. Fitt Is President Progress On Museum

A. P. Fitt was elected president at the annual meeting of the Historical Society held last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Lazelle on Glenwood Ave. Mr. Fitt succeeds Dr. George A. Bronson, who has served for four years and to whom the society voted an appreciation of his years of leadership. Other officials chosen are Mrs. Elsie Scott, vice-president; Mrs. Willis K. Parker, treasurer; Miss Priscilla Colton, clerk; and Mrs. Lazelle and J. R. Colton, directors. Reports were rendered for the year which showed the organization outlook very hopeful and an increasing membership list. Refreshments were served those attending and Mr. Lazelle showed movies of photos which he had taken about Northfield.

Perhaps the most interesting report to the society was that of the custodian of the Society's historical museum, located in the old Pine street school building, which it is hoped to open to the public next spring. A large room on the second floor will be used for meetings and this has been furnished with oil paintings from the Marsh collection, a square piano given by Mrs. Bardwell, and several display cases. Other rooms will be used in the display. Miss Inn Merriman was one of the first to send in hand looms, spinning and flax wheels. Mrs. C. C. Stockbridge has given a collection of Civil War relics. Henry Alexander's commission as Lieut. 3rd Regt. Infantry, signed by Governor Strong, was presented by Mrs. Grover C. Fritts of Ocean Grove, N. J., in the name of her late sister Julia Standish Alexander. Mrs. Fritts contributed a letter of a Northfield celebration of 1836. The original charter of the Northfield Grand Army post is given to the society by consent of the Adj't. Gen. of the State. Also many other Grand Army paraphernalia.

Miss Harriet L. Parsons has contributed many valuable papers belonging to her father, the late Herbert C. Parsons. Fred C. Alexander of Newtonville, who is writing a history of the Alexanders of this town, has made several documentary donations. Mr. and Mrs. Leon Whitmore have presented many articles which have been in the family over a hundred years.

Miss Ethel Moody has given a handsome glass pitcher, which was given to "Grandma Moody by townspersons on her 80th birthday." Mrs. Martin Vorce has donated a collection of fancy work and clothing. Mrs. Leon Alexander has contributed some pewter ware which has been for many years in the Alexander family. Collections have also been received from Mrs. Lazelle, Mrs. Lillian Marsh of California, Mrs. Herbert Reed and Miss Mary Silverthorne.

During the past summer much work has been done in preparing the museum for receiving the display. Members have worked and co-operated and lumber has been donated by Frank E. Evans. The Congregational church has donated chairs for the meeting room.

## Get Certificates For Auto Tires

The local Rationing Board has granted certificates for tires and tubes recently to the following persons: Mervin Whitney, 2 retreads, passenger; Joseph Zabko, 1 retread, pass.; Constantine George, 3 rt. pass.; Ralph Leach, 2 rt. truck and 2 tubes; Manuel Lopez, obsolete new 2 tires and 2 tubes, pass.; Glen Murray, 4 tires, 4 tubes new, truck; Leon Randall, 2 rt. pass.; Herbert White, 2 rt. pass.; Gerald Barnes, 2 rt. pass.; John Chudzick, 2 rt. truck; Stanley Gozocoski, 2 new, obsolete, pass.; Ernest Nash, 1 new tube; Harry Wing, 2 obsolete; Margaret Davis, 2 rt. pass.; Charles Stevens, 2 rt. pass.; Ernest Parker, 2 rt. pass.; Mr. St. Peter, 4 tires, obsolete, 4 tubes, pass.; Charles A. Parker, grade 2, 2 new, 1 tube, pass.

## Clapp Is Kept Busy

Although the recent effort to collect old "scrap" has kept Luckey O. Clapp very busy for many weeks, call has come again for renewed work to secure another accumulation. Mr. Clapp estimates that there was about 50 tons of scrap in the recent pile which will net the town \$350. About 180 lbs. of silk stockings have been collected and these have already been sent to the factory address in New York state. Co-operation of all our citizens is urged in the continuance of these collections.

## Brotherhood Will Hear Of German Purposes By Competent Speaker

The Northfield Brotherhood is unusually fortunate in having as its guest at its meeting next Tuesday evening the Rev. Ewart E. Turner, world traveler, lecturer, news correspondent, and minister, who will speak on "Hitler's Battle



for World Domination."

He brings to this important subject a remarkable background of firsthand experience inside Germany. For four years he was pastor of the historic American Church in Berlin, and during the ten consecutive years preceding the outbreak of war he travelled throughout Germany studying National Socialism and writing for American news services. He was in Europe when the war began, and has been inside Germany in actual travel and residence over a longer period than any other American available on the lecture platform. He is the leading American authority on the German Church struggle, and is the only American who has been close to Hitler's famous prisoner, Martin Niemoller, and the Niemoller family, over a period of years. Twice since the war's outbreak he has travelled into the heart of the ominous German settlements in South America.

Mr. Turner has been correspondent for the Religious News Service, the North American Newspaper Alliance, and the British Weekly. He has appeared before more than 300 service clubs, over 70 college and university student bodies, and has taken part in more than 50 public forums, not to mention a large number of churches and church organizations.

All the men of the community are cordially invited to be present at the meeting next Tuesday evening. Dinner will be served by the women of the Congregational Church at 6:30. The committee in charge will be headed by Mrs. Francis Reed. An offering will be taken to defray expenses.

## Resumes Special Night At Northfield Hotel

The first of a new series of Neighborhood nights with special buffet suppers began Wednesday evening at the Northfield Hotel on Wednesday evening with quite a number of local citizens attending. The supper consisted of a choice of "smothered chicken with giblet gravy" or "ham loaf with sweet potatoes." The evening was spent in a social manner with most of those attending indulging in card games.

## Draft Board Changes

Because they have changed the age of 45 the Montague draft board has placed a number of men in class 4-A and unless desired the draftee is not subject to service at present. The list includes the name of Joseph Morgan of this town and Paul Bowman of Mount Hermon school. Newly classified in 1-A includes the name of Roderick Parker of this town. Classified into 3-B as war worker are Philip Holton and Ralph Holton of West Northfield. Changed from 1-A to 4-F is Carlton L'Hommedieu of Mount Hermon school.

## Announce Engagement

The engagement is announced of Mary Margaret MacGaffin of New York by Mr. and Mrs. Norman MacGaffin to William B. Bromell, son of Mrs. C. Arthur Smith of Center Island, L. I., and the late Alfred Bromell. Miss MacGaffin is the daughter of Mr. MacGaffin and the late Mrs. Ruth Whittle MacGaffin and is in her junior year at Vassar college. She has been a frequent visitor here at the home of her aunt, Mrs. William R. Moody.

The Rationing Board will not be available to the public on Mondays hereafter as the office will be closed and the day devoted to clerical work which accumulates during the week. However on all other days the hours as previously announced will be observed. Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8 a. m. to 4 p. m.; Thursday, afternoon and evening; and Saturdays, 8 to 12 m.

## Christmas Vespers At Seminary-Hermon On Sunday Evening

One of the most popular celebrations at The Northfield schools is the annual Christmas Carol service held at Northfield Seminary and at Mount Hermon school. These services are noted for their true spirit of Christmas, the traditional excellence of the choirs under the direction of Melvin Gallagher, and stand out as one of the most important religious events of the school year.

This Sunday, the Christmas Vespers will be held in Mount Hermon Memorial Chapel at 5 p. m. At this beautiful candlelight service a special program of Christmas music will be presented by a chorus of eighty students, composed of the Seminary Estey chorus and Mount Hermon's A Capella choir, together with smaller groups of singers from both sides of the river. Soloists will be Jean Domin of Williamstown, Herbert Beizer of Hartford, and George Irish of Portland, Maine.

At Northfield Seminary's Sage Chapel the traditional Christmas Carol service will begin at 8 o'clock Sunday evening, with the prelude at 7:45. The combined choirs of both schools and the soloists will present a program of carols and Christmas hymns. All townspersons are cordially invited to attend.

The speaker at the Sunday morning service in Sage Chapel will be Dr. Howard Thurman, dean of the Chapel at Howard University in Washington, D. C. The service will begin at 11 a. m. President William E. Park will conduct the service in Mount Hermon Memorial Chapel at 10:30 a. m.

## Progress At The Rink

Much progress is being made in the construction of the skating rink on the land to the south of the Congregational church. The rink will measure over 100 by 200 feet in size and the leveled ground after being rolled will be sprayed with water from the mains of the East Northfield Water Co. A four inch thickness of ice will be built up by this method. Many workmen are busy on the location and it is hoped that the rink can be completed and made ready for use next week. Money is coming in every day to meet the expenses of this worthy project and over \$400 of the needed \$500 is in hand. Ross L. Spencer and Charles L. Johnson are in charge of securing the total amount.

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## Unitarian Church

On Sunday at 10:45 o'clock there will be a service of worship, sermon topic: "Dwight L. Moody, Northfield Townsman," in recognition of the baptism of Betsy Moody with her nine children in the First Parish Church December 11, 1842. Rev. Arthur Heeb, minister, Mrs. L. Percy Goodspeed, choir leader and organist.

A cordial welcome extended to all.

10 a. m., Church School. Topic: "The Christmas Pageant."

Friday, 7:30 p. m., The class in social expression and dancing will meet. There will be a brief rehearsal of the Christmas Pageant.

Useful gifts for the Japanese American children in the detention areas in the west will be received not later than next Sunday.

In connection with the service Sunday there will be a small historical display, the Church record of 1830, a picture of the old church and a photograph of D. L. Moody presented by A. P. Fitt.

In recognizing the one hundredth anniversary of the baptism of Dwight L. Moody, the world famous evangelist who died more than forty years ago, the Unitarian Church emphasizes the liberal spirit of the man in delusion and in education. In spite of theological differences which were ripe in the days just after the Civil War up to 1900 the great heart of Dwight L. Moody overshadowed them. The unconscious formative years of Moody in the First Parish Church, under men called from Harvard College imbued with the liberal trend in religion, had its indelible influence on an essentially liberal man, evangelist who organised two educational institutions, unique in the history of evangelism.

Rev. Arthur Heeb of the Unitarian Church in paying tribute to D. L. Moody will also read letters of appreciation from friends and leaders in education and religion.

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## Symphony On Sunday Heard At Greenfield Many Here Will Go

The opening concert of the series of the Pioneer Valley Symphony will be heard on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the auditorium of the Greenfield High School. This concert marks the fourth season of its career. The

well known violin artist, Ruth Posselt, will render the violin selection.

The orchestra now numbers about 60 members, and while many former players are now in the service of their country and away from home, many new faces have been added. A number of the players are enrolled from Northfield and to all citizens for their assistance in the past efforts.

R. Stanley Reid, president of the association, is optimistic over the success of the concert and has accomplished considerable work toward this end in procuring sufficient financial support and solving the problem of transportation of the many groups from surrounding towns. Mrs. A. Gordon Moody of this town, a director of the association, with Ernest N. Kirrman and Carlton L'Hommedieu have had charge of the ticket sale and reservations here.

The symphony's first program will be an all-Russian one, as much a tribute to Russia's fighting forces as to her master musicians. The soloist, Ruth Posselt, brilliant woman violinist, will offer the Tchaikovsky violin concerto. The remainder of the program will be devoted to works

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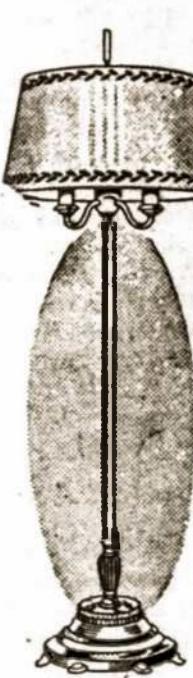
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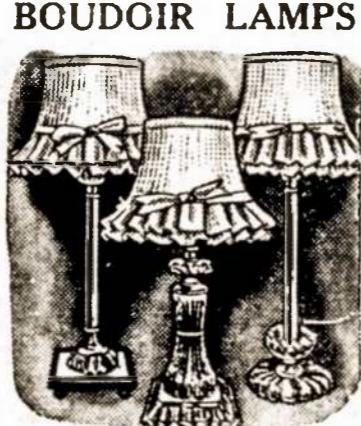
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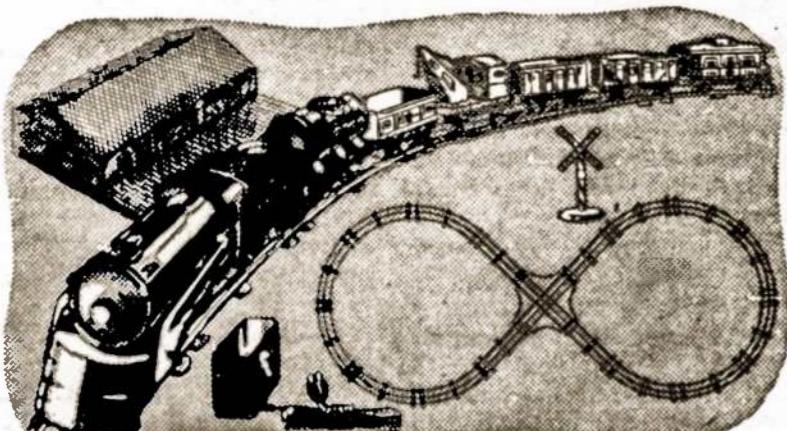
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**TOWN TOPICS**

There are quite a number of local young ladies on the selected list of those available to go to the Warwick camp to participate in the dances, but since only a limited number can attend at one time those going will be personally invited or called to accompany the hostesses. However, each will be given the invitation in due time.

Several motorists of this town have received their '43 registration, which is in the form of a small sticker to be pasted on the windshield. The 1942 plates will be used in the car during 1943.

Robert F. Birdsall of Mount Hermon, who is a junior at the Sheffield Scientific School at Yale University, is one of six undergraduates recently elected to the Yale University chapter of Sigma Xi, honorary scientific and engineering fraternity.

Russell Durgin of New York made a short visit in town this week after speaking at Colby Junior college. He was joined here by his wife who returned to New York with him.

**The Grange Activities**

A number of members of the local Grange will attend the dedication of the new Grange Hall at Montague this Friday evening at 8 o'clock. The speakers will be state Grange Master Harvey G. Turner and J. M. Gardner, high priest of Demeter.

The Valley Pomona Grange met at the local Grange hall on Wednesday evening and following a supper transacted business and demonstrated the work. There was a large attendance, the hall being filled. Next Tuesday evening the Grange will conduct one of its popular card parties to which the public is invited.

Mr. Rikert in returning from the lecturers' conference reports that the Grange is active throughout the state and moving forward with all of its activities.

**Periods For Fuel Oil**

Now that most folks, who require fuel oil, have received their rationing coupons, it is well that they understand when and how they can be used. The twelve months for which they are issued started October 1st and will end September 30, 1943. The time is divided into five periods and No. 1 coupons are good until December 3rd. No. 2 coupons are for the second period, December 3 to January 6, 1943. Period three coupons are usable from January 6 to February 20, and period four coupons from February 7 to March 26. The fifth period with its coupons runs from March 13 to September 30. The above dates are of course subject to any changes or extensions which will be publicly announced.

**The Juncos Are Here**

Recently a number of Juncos have been seen hereabouts in unusual number. The beautiful little gray and white birds, who show a V for victory every time they fly, They have been seen somewhere and are on the wing. They have been seen as early as September and on pleasant days come down about our homes from the wood, where they hide in cold and stormy periods. These birds are of real value as they do much good in destroying the insects of the forest which kill growing trees. Residents have seen them at their feeding stations.

**Know Massachusetts  
by State Planning Board**

DO YOU KNOW THAT... Of the fourteen largest United States cities, Boston has the highest percentage of single males of marriageable age, 40.7 per cent, and also of single females, 38.1 per cent. Average for the fourteen cities is 34.9 per cent single males and 29.3 per cent single females. . . . The proportion of Massachusetts industrial wage earners engaged wholly on war production during October was nearly 55 per cent, as reported by the Department of Labor and Industries. . . . A recent survey shows that in central and southern sections of Boston approximately two per cent of the habitable dwelling units are available for rent; in the northern part of the city the vacancy is only about one per cent. . . . Railroad passenger traffic between Boston and New York is now more than twice that of a year ago. . . . Although motor car traffic for the Commonwealth as a whole is about 40 per cent less than a year ago, traffic through the East Boston Tunnel is reduced less than 20 per cent. . . . The city of Boston in 1941 paid \$3,044,000 for dependent aid, \$3,024,000 for aid to dependent children and \$5,601,000 for old age assistance. Compared with 1937, dependent aid decreased \$2,212,000, aid to dependent children increased \$1,609,000 and old age assistance increased \$2,351,000. . . . Seconk zoning ordinance was then approved by the Attorney General.

**Christmas Pageant  
At Unitarian Church**

On Sunday evening, Dec. 20, the Unitarian Church will present a Christmas pageant at 7 o'clock. Beginning with the usual nativity procession and the call of the watchman a Panel of the Prophets will be presented in tableau form. Two sections of the Friese of the Prophets by John S. Sargent in the Boston Public Library will be presented in living form by the young boys of the parish. The Nativity scenes will be presented by the older young people and the adults. The third tableau will present a home scene of the period of the Civil War, the theme being G. K. Chesterton's "The House of Christmas." The pageant title is: "The Prophets' Words to the House of Christmas."

Mrs. Betty Long, assisted by Miss Julia Austin, will have charge of the tableaux. Mrs. Carroll Miller, Mrs. Frank Montague, Mrs. Verne Ware and Mrs. Nella Saunter, costumes. Mrs. George Kidder, Carroll Miller, stage carpenters. Mrs. Helen Cobb, Constantine George, Dean Williams and Nelson Spring, decorations. Joseph Field, make-up man, and Robert Miller in charge of flood lights. Mr. Heeb in charge of reading parts. Mrs. L. Percy Goodspeed, music.

The Church School committee, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Dean Williams, and Mrs. Joseph Morgan, with the minister, have worked out the plans not only for this pageant but the Family Parish Supper and Christmas tree to be held Monday evening, December 21, at 6 o'clock. All members of the parish and their friends will be welcomed.

On Sunday morning, December 20, a family service of communion will be held at 10:30 to which all are invited.

Man isn't so smart as he thinks he is. Thousands of years before he even thought of them, the turtle sported a streamlined body, a bullet top, retractable landing gear, and a portable house.

Mary's Beau: "Is Mary your oldest sister?"  
Kid Brother: "Yep!"  
Bro: "And who comes after her?"  
Brother: "You and two other guys."

**West Northfield and  
South Vernon**

B. L. Spiller, a former resident of South Vernon, died Tuesday at the Odd Fellows Home in Worcester where he made his home with his wife. The funeral and burial were held on Thursday. Besides his wife he is survived by his late son's wife and two grandchildren.

South Vernon church service Sunday at 10:30 a. m. with Rev. F. H. Leavitt in charge. Sunday school at 11:45. Loyal Workers at 6:30 with Gordon Buffum as speaker. Evening service at 7:30 in charge of Courtland Dunklee. Weekly prayer meeting at Vernon Home Thursday at 7 p. m.

The entertainment of the Mission Society at the Vernon Home last Friday evening was a fine success in charge of Mrs. Gertrude Gibson. The Society voted \$30 toward the church efforts.

Mr. Addie Laplante, who is in Hartford, is reported as improving. She observed her birthday last Sunday and many friends sent cards.

Dan Haskell, who has spent a month with his mother at Stone-

hurst, has returned to his home at Ossining, N. Y. He is a bibliographer with the New York Public Library.

The Loyal Workers will give a supper at the South schoolhouse next Wednesday evening at 6 o'clock.

Mrs. Clara Pratt has closed her home for the winter and is now staying at the Vernon Home.

Mrs. Lawrence B. Underwood has gone to Salem to join her husband, who is employed there.

A daughter was born Thursday

of last week to Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Miller and mother and daughter are being cared for at the home of her sister, Mrs. Philip Holton. Mrs. Miller is the former Thelma French.

Miss June Bolton is taking a commercial course (secretarial) in the business school at Brattleboro, then reporting to Fort Devens.

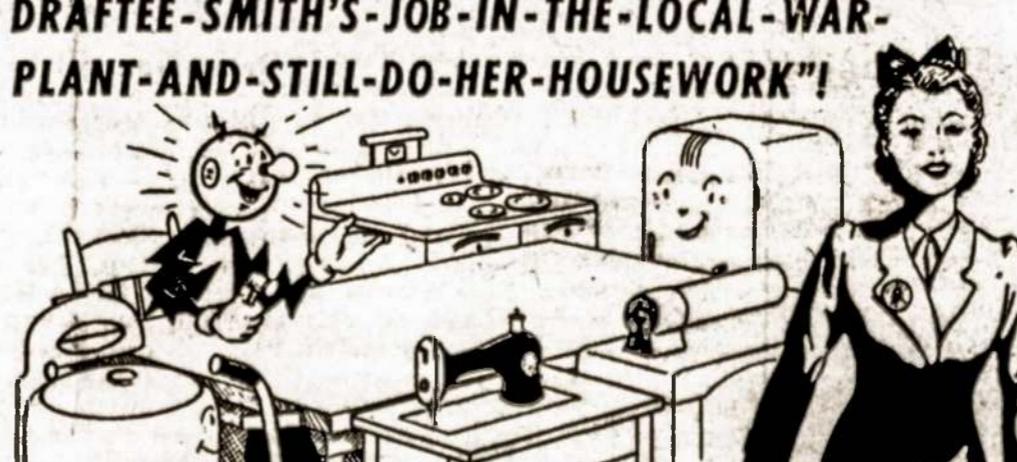
Rev. Elvin W. Blackstone of Lafayette, R. I., has accepted the call to become pastor of the South Vernon church and with his family will remove here in January to begin his pastorate.

The Beacon Lights class of the South Vernon church will hold a social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Buffum in East Northfield this Friday evening.

Andrew Stacy has enlisted in the Army air corps and was sworn in last Saturday in Springfield, then reporting to Fort Devens.

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**A MEETING OF THE "COMMITTEE-IN-CHARGE-OF-MAKING-IT-POSSIBLE-FOR-MRS. JONES-TO-TAKE-DRAFTEE-SMITH'S-JOB-IN-THE-LOCAL-WAR-PLANT-AND-STILL-DO-HER-HOUSEWORK!"**



Mrs. Jones is now holding down two jobs—and making a real contribution to winning the war. She's working a shift in a war plant and still doing her housework. Helping in her home is Reddy Kilowatt and a squad of electric servants—an electric range, refrigerator, washing machine, vacuum cleaner, etc.

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1 cup dried onions  
Add . . . . . 2 cups flour  
Cook until thick.  
Add . . . . . 1 1/2 cups canned kidney beans  
Simmer 10 minutes. Serve 5.

**CHINESE CABBAGE**

Cabbage in small pieces/ oil except corn, and serve with French dressing or mayonnaise.

**CORN BREAD**

Mix together . . . 1/2 cup sugar  
1/2 cup self rising  
1 cup yellow corn meal  
2 eggs  
2 1/2 cups milk  
Cook until thick.  
Add . . . . . 1/2 cup melted shortening  
1 beaten egg  
Bake at 400° for 30 minutes.

**APPLE CRISP**

Peel and core . . . 6-8 apples  
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## TOWN TOPICS

The hunting season is on this week and many hunters are in the woods but the kills are few and far between. The lack of snow is in the deer's favor.

This Friday will open the draft registration of all youths of 18 years of age throughout the country. In this district the Montague draft board will register in the block in which the Crocker Savings Bank is located in Turners Falls. All youths will follow the procedure of their elders in previous registrations.

Pvt. Frederick Clough of the Farms, who recently entered the service, is at Rocky Hill, Conn., with the military police.

Pfc. Watson Black of the Coast Guard at Narragansett, R. I., and Pfc. Wayne Black of Stoney Field, Charleston, S. C., have recently spent a short furlough with their mother, Mrs. J. H. Black.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Young and family of Springfield are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kendrick and daughter of New Britain, Conn., have returned home after a short visit with his father, Frank Kendrick, of Pine street.

Norton Field, who is at Brown University, spent last week-end at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Field.

Richard A. Cobb, who is in the Coast Guard, spent a short vacation here this week with Mrs. Cobb.

Lieut. James H. Bolton, who is in the dental corps of the Army and who has been ill for several weeks in the LaGarde hospital in New Orleans, is reported as gradually improving.

Mrs. C. C. Compton of Main street has forwarded box of good clothing to the headquarters of Russian Relief. Another box is in the making, so send to her anything you can contribute.

Carlton Finch has enlisted in the naval reserve at Boston but will continue his studies at Bates college until called to the service.

Richard Barrows has written his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Barrows, that he is leaving Norfolk for duty as signalman third class, aboard ship for sea.

Miss Natalie Briesmaster has returned from a visit with friends and relatives in New York. Corp. Harold Briesmaster of the quartermaster division at Bradley Field, Conn., was at the home of his parents over last week-end.

In connection with the service Sunday at the Unitarian Church it is interesting to know that Paul D. Moody preached in that church in 1908 on the 66th anniversary of Dwight L. Moody's baptism. Newspapers of that day carried rather long accounts of the service.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society of the Farms will hold a Christmas party for members and their children on Wednesday, December 16, at the library. A covered dish supper will be served after the program.

Mrs. Henry Wells, mother of Mrs. Elliot Speer, died at her home in New York City, Monday, November 30th, after a brief illness. Mrs. Wells will be remembered by many friends here, who made her acquaintance during her several visits at the home of her daughter and family.



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The Youth Hostel is preparing a special entertainment open to the public on Sunday, December 27th, and a New Year's celebration on Thursday evening, December 31st. Between the holidays many visitors are expected and the period will mark the 8th anniversary of the A. Y. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Morse of this town have gone to Florida to spend the winter. They left last week and are making the trip by bus.

S. Liu of China visited Mount Hermon school last week and addressed the students on China relief at an assembly meeting.

Dr. Erling M. Hunt of Teachers College (Columbia) addressed a meeting of the faculty of Mount Hermon school on "Post War Education" at a meeting held last Thursday.

Alfred Labelle of this town, who is an aviation cadet in the Army, has been transferred to Davis Monthan Field, Tucson, Arizona.

Many orders for some of the freshly picked and fine oranges and grapefruit from the orchards of Spurgeon Gage in Orlando, Florida, have been filled with Harold F. Bigelow at the postoffice and already many baskets and boxes have been received by express. Recipients say that the fruit is delicious.

The group of women who have so generously given of their time, as well as a group at the Semi-

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nary, in the making of surgical dressings for the Red Cross, have finished the quota of 7,200 for November and now are at work on the quota for the same number for December. The women meet every Tuesday at Alexander Hall. More volunteers are needed and those for the afternoon sessions, should contact Mrs. Charles Taber and those who could come evening, should communicate with Mrs. Ross Spencer.

George W. Moody and family, who have made their residence in Greenfield for some time, have moved to Springfield, again, to make their home there.

Rev. Edward C. Dahl of the Congregational church has issued a pastoral letter to all members and friends of the church, calling attention to the various services of the church during the Advent season. Subjects of the sermons at the morning service and for the series and pertain to the church mid-week prayer meetings are in season.

Luckey O. Clapp accompanied Emory Rickert, lecturer of the Northfield Grange, to the state lecturers' conference at Worcester last Saturday.

Orville E. Mirtz of Mount Hermon school conducted the morning service at Metcalf Memorial Chapel at Warwick last Sunday morning.

Mrs. Bessie Symonds of this town, who is spending the winter with her daughter and husband in Worcester, Mr. and Mrs. Stevens, came here last Sunday with them to observe a birthday anniversary spent with Mr. and Mrs. on Glenwood avenue. Mrs. Durgin who was also at her home joined with them in a dinner party.

Mrs. Guy Blossom and Mrs. E. M. Powell have a very complete list of all Northfield men in the various services with the latest address of each. Our soldiers ap-

preciate a letter from the home town and any citizen who desires to write any of them a letter, can get the address of each by telephoning.

Matthew Fornith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Fornith of Birnam road, who is in the U. S. Navy, has returned from service with his ship in African waters, which is temporarily at its base in this country.

## Blackout Next Week

There will be a "blackout" next week for the entire state, author-

ized by the Massachusetts committee on Public Safety. The day nor the hour has not been named and the signals will come as a surprise with no advance information. The "blackout" will include and cover all institutions, factories, stores and there will be no exemptions of war work plants or of war workers. It is estimated that 387,011 civilian defense workers will be called out for duty. Citizens must obey the regulations, refrain from the use of the phone and put their lights out during the test.

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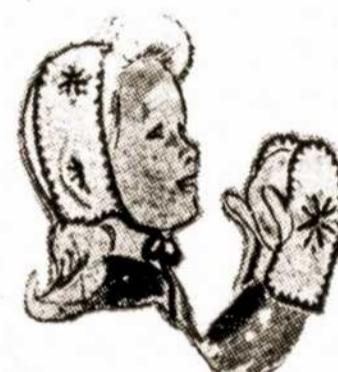
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## EDITORIAL

## FLOWER OF WINTER

Winter, the five-petaled flower,  
Hangs on the dark bough.  
Now seen against the sky,  
The flower glows serene and  
white.  
No singing bird heralds this bloom  
That opened in the night—  
But the snow-tide upon the ground  
Reflects the snow-flakes in the air,  
As a white candle in a room  
Speaks quietly to the midnight  
moon.  
And on the branch the fiery leaf,  
The icicle, has caught a star  
Within its pointed scimitar.  
—Sara Van Alstyne Allen

## SHOP EARLY

In keeping with this ageless sea-  
son of good-will, when gifts are  
made, it is well to keep in mind  
that early purchases will help to  
alleviate the rush which usually  
prevails during the final week.  
You can appreciate your pur-  
chases and give much considera-  
tion in the sending, if you pur-  
chase early without undue haste.  
Let's keep up with the true Christ-  
mas spirit and give gifts, but by  
no means allow the pleasure and  
privilege to become a burden by  
last minute efforts. He who gives  
wisely, prepares and buys early.

## Back Yard Gardener

By G. O. Olson

The man who is always pre-  
pared is seldom expected to prove  
it. Forewarned is forearmed. Lock  
the door after the horse is stolen.  
Oh, there are dozens of little say-  
ings which apply to the situation  
the world is in right now. They  
make special investigations after  
a disaster, not before. I guess the  
trouble is this. Mother Nature just  
didn't put us together right. We  
express doubt that such things do  
and can happen. We say emphati-  
cally that it won't happen again,  
but it does.

For instance, this home produc-  
tion of food. I'm willing to bet  
dollars against doughnuts that  
come next summer there'll be a  
lot of folks who could have had  
but didn't have a home garden.  
And then if there is a food short-  
age, they'll say, why didn't some-  
one tell us? How are we to know  
these things? Right now, still bet-  
ting dollars to doughnuts, they're  
thinking that all this stuff about  
food shortages in the good old  
U. S. A. is so much bunk. Well, it  
could be, but I for one live to  
eat and I sure would hate to get

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